

Motorcycle Safety Training and Riding Guidance



Licensing and Registration



- Must be a DOD military member with a valid motorcycle license or endorsement. No Permits!
- Must take the Army in Europe Motorcycle Orientation Course and pass a 30-question written examination.
- Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) completion card must not be older than 3 years. If card is older, member must complete a MSF course.
 - A MSF course must be complete every 3 years to maintain license and vehicle registration for motorcycles (M/Cs).
 - Additionally, M/C safety training must be completed after 3 years of inactivity, after purchasing a new M/C or changing M/Cs





Courses Offered



- **Basic Rider Course.** A 2-day course. This is the Army basic motorcycle rider course. Motorcycle and helmet may be provided upon request at the time of registration. Completion of this course is a required before taking other motorcycle safety courses.
- **Experience Rider Course** (Basic Rider Course 2). A 1-day course. Targeted Audience: Operators of Standard, touring, and Cruiser motorcycles.
- **Military Sport Bike Rider Course** (Advance Rider Course). A 1-day course. Targeted Audience: Operators of sport bikes.

*** Contact your Safety Office (468-1670) for time/dates of courses or see https://imc.army.mil/airs/usg_disclaimer.aspx ***

Riding Requirements

- A helmet properly fastened under the chin. Helmets must meet the standards set by the American National Standards Institute, the Snell Memorial Foundation Standards, the *Institut für Zweiradsicherheit e.V. (Institute for Two-Wheel Safety)*, or the *Economic Commission of Europe* for bicycle helmets.
- Eye protection must meet the Vehicle Equipment Safety Commission Regulation standards or the European equivalent. Eye protection must be impact- or shatter-resistant goggles or a full-face shield properly attached to the helmet. A windshield or eyeglasses alone are not proper eye protection.
- Soldiers assigned to Army in Europe units will wear a vest, jacket, upper outer garment, or motorcycle clothing that incorporates fluorescent and highly reflective material at all times when operating or riding as a passenger on the vehicles (motorcycles, mopeds, motorbikes, all terrain vehicles, or similar vehicles), on and off post, regardless of local civilian requirements. Military uniforms, including Army physical fitness test wear that is designed to be reflective, do not meet this criterion.
- Over-the-ankle footwear. Footwear should be made of sturdy leather and have a good oil-resistant sole to reduce slipping hazards. Service boots meet this requirement.



- Long-sleeved shirt or jacket.
- Full-length trousers.
- Full fingered gloves



Civilian Employees

- Including contractors but excluding LN employees and family members will wear fluorescent and reflective outer garments at all times when operating or riding as a passenger while on US Army installations and highly encouraged to wear off the installation
- Personnel other than those described are highly encouraged to wear a vest, jacket, upper garment, or motorcycle clothing that incorporates fluorescent and highly reflective material at all times when operating or riding as a passenger on the vehicles while on U. S. Army installations.
- All motorcycle operators and passengers must ensure reflective outer garments are properly secured, clearly visible, and not covered. The lightweight mesh physical training vest is not authorized to be worn as a fluorescent and reflective vest on vehicles; the vest may, however, be used to cover a backpack, but must be secured.

